



# Junction Fire Incident Update

Tuesday, August 19, 2014, 3:00 a.m.

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**Incident Name:** Junction Fire

**Location:** Highway 49 and Junction Drive in the  
Community of Oakhurst

**Start Date & Report Time:** August 18, 2014, 1:50 p.m.

**Cause:** Under Investigation.

**Acres:** 1200

**Containment:** 0%

**Fire Engines:** 51

**Fire Crews:** 14

**Bulldozers:** 8

**Helicopters:**

**Air tankers:** 0

**Total Personnel:** 469

**Injuries:** 2

**Structures Threatened:** 500

**Structures Damaged:** 8

## **Current Situation:**

Extreme fire conditions related to the current drought situation have hampered containment. Winds and spot fire conditions of ¼ to ½ mile ahead of the main fire created many challenges. Firefighters are hopeful that lower temperatures, a rise in humidity and less wind will provide them with the ability to establish containment lines, utilizing hand crews and dozers. Firefighter from throughout the central valley and the state are being deployed to defend homes in the area. The Red Cross is assisting with all evacuation shelters.

With summer weather and extreme drought conditions, we are asking everyone to continue to use caution, “one less spark - one less wildfire”. For more information on how to prepare for wildfires, go to [www.readyforwildfire.org](http://www.readyforwildfire.org).

## **Evacuations are in effect for the following areas:**

- **Mandatory**
- Road 620 between Highway 41 and Lone Oak Lane
- Jean Road East, Jean Road West, Scott Road and Taylor Mountain
- All residence and business between Highway 41 North from Road 426 to Road 620
- **Advisory**
- Sky Ranch Road, and the community of Cedar Valley

## **Evacuation Shelters:**

- Yosemite Lakes Community Church, 43840 Patrick, Coarsegold CA
- Coarsegold Community Center, 35540 Highway 41, Coarsegold CA

## **Road Closures:**

- Highway 41 from Road 426 to Road 620
- Road 222 from Highway 41 to Road 274

## **School Closures:**

- All Schools along Road 427(School Road) Oakhurst.

**Cooperating Agencies:** Madera County Sheriff, Mariposa County Sheriff, Madera County Fire, United States Forest Service, CAL OES, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, CHP, Red Cross, PG&E, Cal Trans, and Madera County OES

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